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C O N F I D E N T I A L LUXEMBOURG 1123

E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: NATO, OCON, AWACS, MILI, LU
SUBJECT: LUXEMBOURG PARTICIAPATION IN AWACS

1. GOL MINISTER OF PUBLIC FORCES EMILE KRIEPS INFORMED DCM
THAT LUXEMBOURG COUNCIL OF MINISTERS DEVOTED CONSIDERABLE TIME
AT LAST WEEK'S MEETING TO AWACS. KRIEPS SAID HE PRESENTED
INFORMATION ON PHASING OF NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS (USNATO 6328),
WHICH HAD BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO LUXEMBOURG PERMREP IN BRUSSELS.
HE ALSO DREW ON RATIONAL IN DEPARTMENT'S 265681, WHICH EMBASSY
HAD GIVEN HIM AS AIDE MEMOIRE, TO MAKE STRONG PITCH FOR
LUXEMBOURG PARTICIPATION. KRIEPS SAID MAJORITY OF
COUNCIL OF MINISTERS, INCLUDING PRIME MNISTER THORN,
FAVOR LUXEMBOURG PARTICIPATION, BUT SOCIALIST
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MINISTER OF FINANCE JACQUES POOS REMAINS CONCERNED ABOUT INCREASING GOL DEFENSE EXPENDITURES IN A PERIOD OF ECONOMIC SLUMP. KRIEPS SAID HE HOPES ISSUE WILL BE RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF LUXEMBOURG CONTRIBUTION TO AWACS PRIOR TO DECEMBER NATO MINISTERIAL.

2. IN ADDITION TO PRIME MINISTER THORN, MINISTER KRIEPS , AND ARMY COMANDANT LT.- COL. JEAN BETZ WILL ATTEND UPCOMING NATO MINISTERIAL. GINN

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